

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7009

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A RESOLUTION to honor Matthew Russell of the Tennessee Highway Patrol upon his promotion to sergeant in the Cookeville district.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal concerns to ensure the public's safety and welfare, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty in service of public safety; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans have continued the time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service in law enforcement, dedicating their time and efforts to aiding those in emergency situations and apprehending those who have broken the law; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Russell of the Tennessee Highway Patrol is one such courageous public servant, who was recently promoted to the position of sergeant in the Cookeville district; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Russell is a Pickett County native who began his career in law enforcement with the Pickett County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Sergeant Russell, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Russell epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and his professionalism and dedication are evident to all who know him; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Sergeant Matthew Russell for his many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, his unwavering

commitment to others, and his astute leadership in the Tennessee Highway Patrol; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Matthew Russell of the Tennessee Highway Patrol upon his promotion to sergeant in the Cookeville district and thank him for his meritorious service to the citizens of this State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.